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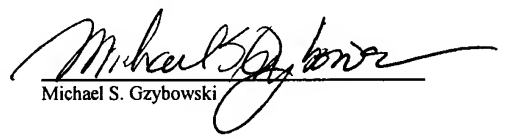
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PROPIONATES IN THE COLON  
  
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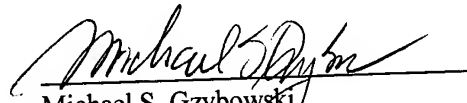
Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 mailed April 8, 2002, enclosed herewith is the executed Declaration identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date for the above-identified application together with a copy of the Notification. If any fees are due in connection with filing this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional amount due to Account No. 02-0385, BAKER & DANIELS.

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It is submitted that with the filing of the above documents, the application is complete and may be submitted for examination by the Patent and Trademark Office.

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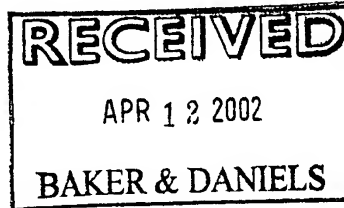


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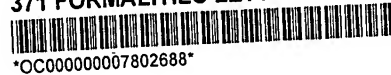
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- U.S. Basic National Fees
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- Copy of IPE Report
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- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Preliminary Amendments
- Small Entity Statement

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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